



# CCRC SURVEY DATA PARTY

March 29th, 2023



# WHAT IS CHV?

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- Established in 2007, the second Village in the US
- There are 13 Villages in DC
- Villages are not brick and mortar buildings, but encompass specific geographic boundaries
- Villages organize community volunteers to support Village members that are aging in place (we have no age restrictions)
- CHV has 400 members and over 100 active volunteers

# WHY ARE WE DOING THIS PROJECT?

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- As part of our programming and services, we have a specific focus on the LGBT+ community through one time programs, ongoing events, support groups, and inclusion work (funded by DACL)
- We want to provide more insight into the inclusivity and experiences of LGBT+ residents in long-term care communities in the DC area
- The CCRC survey was the first step!

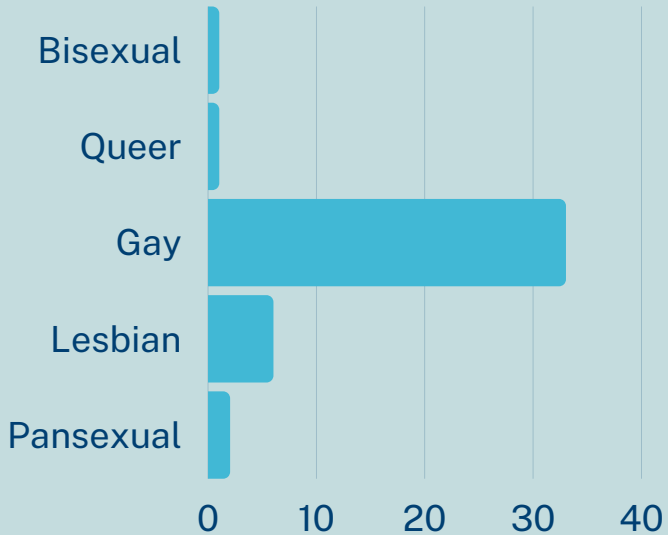
# SURVEY INFORMATION

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- Survey open February 1st to 22nd (3 weeks)
- Surveyed LGBT+ DC residents ages 50+
- Asked about experiences around aging and CCRCs
- Gift card raffle (2 respondents)

# Demographics

## Sexual Orientation



48 Respondents

73% identified as Male



## Relationship Status



38% were Married/Partnered

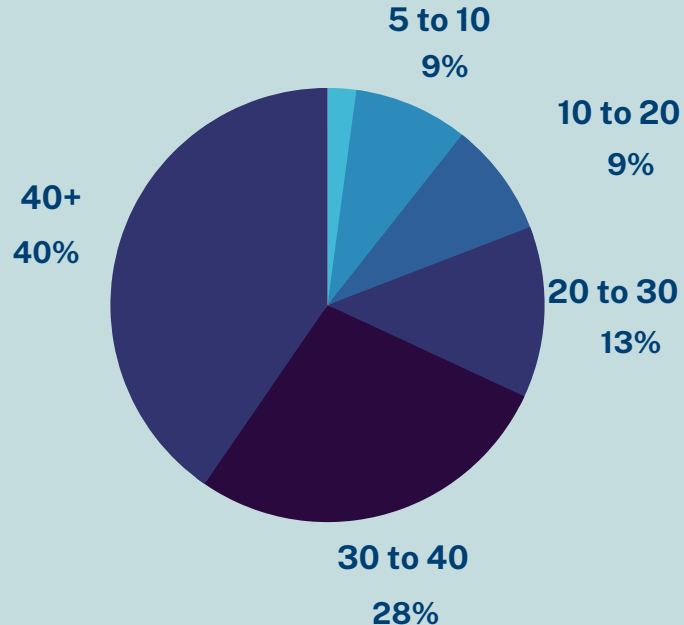


6% were Dating



52% were Single/Widowed

## DC Residency (Years)



## Largest Age Group



54% were ages 60-69



**22%** of respondents were optimistic that problems faced by LGBT+ older adults will be resolved in the next 10 years.

# Top Fears/Concerns Related to Aging

**05** | Inability To Self  
Advocate

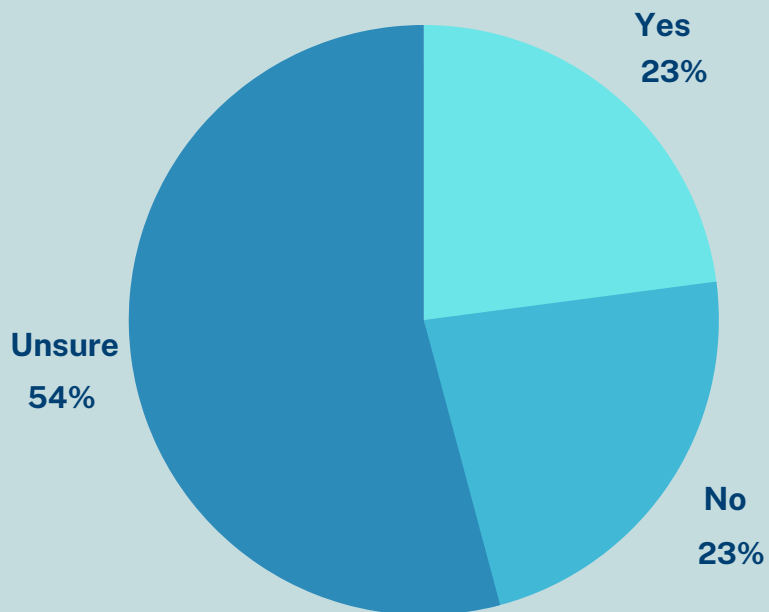
**04** | Access to Healthcare

**03** | Cost

**02** | Lack of Family/Friends

**01** | Physical Health Challenges/Decline

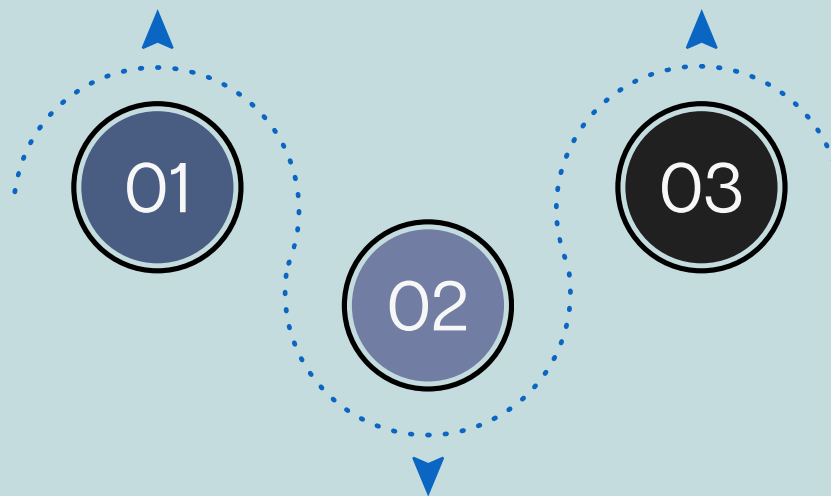
## Do you plan on moving to a CCRC?



## Top Alternatives To A CCRC

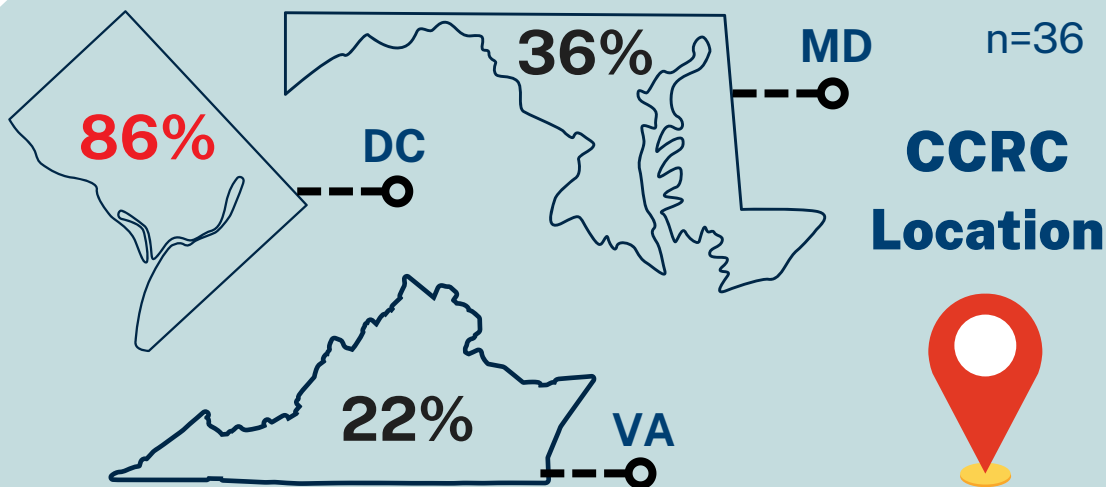
I Do Not Plan On Moving At All

Retirement Community  
(e.g., 55+, active adult, senior housing)



Independent Residence

(e.g., condo, apartment, single family home)



## Additional Considerations



Plans Dependent on Health



Plans Dependent on Finances





**Fear of discrimination** from staff and **lack of explicit commitment to LGBT+ inclusion** were both top barriers for moving into a CCRC.



**Knowing providers or staff are trained for LGBT+ residents' needs and having LGBT+ affinity groups/DEI committee** were among the top incentives for moving into a CCRC.



**31%** of respondents were **not confident** they would be treated fairly as an LGBT+ person if they moved into a CCRC in the DMV tomorrow.

# Top Criteria For Determining if a CCRC is Inclusive or Affirming

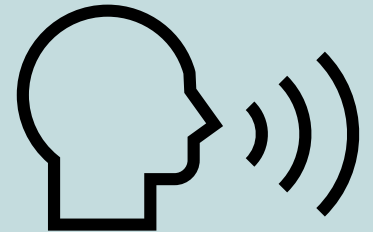
**01**

**Hearing from current LGBT+ residents about their experiences and opinions**



**02**

**Internal expressions of LGBT+ inclusion**



**03**

**If they offer LGBT+ events or groups**



## Respondents Want CCRC Staff To...

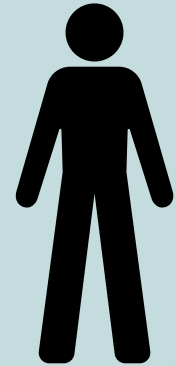
**01**

**Treat me fairly, respectfully,  
and with dignity like other  
residents**



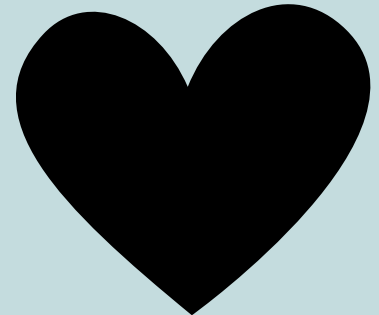
**02**

**Be aware of/interested in  
my needs as an individual**



**03**

**Affirm my  
relationships**





**81%** of  
respondents were  
**not aware** of DC  
Law 23-154

DC Law 23-154  
established an LGBTQ  
and HIV long-term  
care bill of rights to  
provide rights and  
legal protections for  
LGBT+ residents and  
residents with HIV in  
long-term care.

# Discussion Questions

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- Were you shocked by any results?
- Were there any results that were validating to you? Concerning?
- Is there anything missing?

# Proposal: Next Steps

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**Our goal:** to create products over the next year(s) that provide a holistic, in-depth, and realistic perspective of what an LGBT+ older adult can expect if they choose to, or find they need to, move to a CCRC.

## **Potential Products:**

- Facility Tours/Talking with Leadership or Staff in DMV CCRCs
- Hearing from Current LGBT+ CCRC Residents
- Speaker/Virtual Event With the DC Office of Human Rights (DC Law 23-154)
- Panel(s) on LGBT+ inclusion with DMV CCRC representatives



# Proposal: Next Steps

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## **Resource Type:**

- In person (tours, meetings)
- Virtual
- Handouts
- One on one conversations
- Speakers/presentations
- Advocacy/direct action?

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**What are your thoughts on our next steps?**

**Would you like to see anything else?**

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